

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims, in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Previously presented) An apparatus for generating shock waves directed at an area of a human or animal body to be treated comprising ~~at least one module including a plurality of separate piezoelectric modules arranged next to one another on a carrier wherein each module is a spatial unit and includes a plurality~~ of piezoelectric fibers distributed and integrated lengthwise between respective electrical terminals in a continuous composite material between the plurality of piezoelectric fibers, a voltage source electrically connected to at least one electrical terminal and a coupling membrane defining a volume filled with a shock wave transmission medium between the piezoelectric fibers and the coupling membrane, wherein said piezoelectric fibers point toward the coupling membrane.

Claims 2-6 (Canceled)

7. (Currently Amended) The apparatus according to claim ~~[[6]]~~ 1, wherein a plurality of modules are ~~arranged next to one another and~~ electrically interconnected and controllable as a module group ~~apart from one or more other module groups~~.
8. (Currently Amended) The apparatus according to claim ~~[[6]]~~ 1, wherein a plurality of modules are ~~interconnected as~~ electrically individually controllable.
9. (Canceled)
10. (Previously presented) The apparatus according to claim ~~[[6]]~~ 1, wherein said carrier includes a geometry selected from the group consisting of planar, spherical and cylindrical.

Claims 11-15 (Canceled)

16. (New) The apparatus of claim 10, wherein the carrier is a pipe-shaped cylindrical segment with the modules arranged providing a horizontal cylindrical focus line.
17. (New) The apparatus of claim 16, wherein a plurality of modules have different sizes from one another.
18. (New) The apparatus of claim 17, wherein a plurality of modules of different sizes have different forms of radiating surfaces.
19. (New) The apparatus of claim 16, wherein a plurality of modules have different forms of radiating surfaces.
20. (New) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein a plurality of modules have different sizes from one another.
21. (New) The apparatus of claim 20, wherein a plurality of modules of different sizes have different forms of radiating surfaces.
22. (New) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein a plurality of modules have different forms of radiating surfaces.
23. (New) The apparatus of claim 8, wherein a plurality of modules have different sizes from one another.
24. (New) The apparatus of claim 23, wherein a plurality of modules of different sizes have different forms of radiating surfaces.
25. (New) The apparatus of claim 8, wherein a plurality of modules have different forms of radiating surfaces.
26. (New) The apparatus of claim 7, wherein the carrier is a pipe-shaped cylindrical segment with the modules arranged providing a horizontal cylindrical focus line.

27. (New) The apparatus of claim 10, wherein a plurality of modules are at least one of electrically interconnected and controllable as a module group apart from one or more other module groups and electrically individually controllable.
28. (New) The apparatus of claim 7, wherein a plurality of modules have different sizes from one another.
29. (New) The apparatus of claim 28, wherein a plurality of modules of different sizes have different forms of radiating surfaces.
30. (New) The apparatus of claim 7, wherein a plurality of modules have different forms of radiating surfaces.